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MEMORANDUM FOR: THE DIRECTOR

1. Mr. Fisher Howe of the Intelligence Staff of the Department of State has called again regarding the section of proposed CIA legislation conferring limited visa authority upon the Director. He informs me that he is checking with Mr. Lovett's office to find out whether Mr. Lovett's informal clearance was merely the agreement at setting the visa figure at 100 or whether it includes the entire language of the section. ✓

2. Mr. Howe is still concerned with the controlling authority of the Secretary of State over the issuance of visas generally to the point that he feels he should be included in this section. He is also concerned with the abrogation of consular authority over visas.

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